Kammalas in the Police Department.

163.* **MR. G. NILAKANTAN** (*Nominated*) : Will the Government be pleased to state the number and nature of posts held by Kammalas in the Police Department ?

RAO BAHADUR N. RAMANUJA AIYANGAR (*Commissioner of Police*) : Twenty of whom one is clerk, one is typist, two are Head Constables and the remaining sixteen are Constables.

Purchase of Malayalam wall maps.

164.* **MR. A. THANU PILLAI** (*Trivandrum-Rural*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) the amount spent by the Education Department during the year 1108 for the purchase of Malayalam wall maps of Travancore for use in the Departmental Vernacular Schools;

(*b*) the names of the publishers of the maps purchased ;

(*c*) the number and dates of Government orders prescribing these maps for use in schools , and

(*d*) whether any maps were purchased which had not been prescribed by Government ?

MR. R. M. STATHAM (*Director of Public Instruction*) :

(*a*) Rs. 1,396-11-0

(*b*) 1. Mr. R. Brahmanayagom Pillai, Trivandrum,
2. The Vani Vilas Publishing House, Karamanai,
3. Mr. T. S. Nelliappa Aiyar, Nagercoil.

(*c*) The map published by Mr. Brahmanayagom Pillai has been prescribed for use in schools by the Government in their D. Dis. No. 739 of 28/Edn., dated the 4th August 1928. The other two maps have not been prescribed for use in schools.

(*d*) Yes.

MR. A. THANU PILLAI (*Trivandrum-Rural*) : May I know who was responsible for purchasing maps which had not been prescribed for Vernacular Schools ?

MR. R. M. STATHAM (*Director of Public Instruction*) : Several Assistant Inspectors and Assistant Inspectresses of Schools and the Inspector of Vernacular Schools.

MR. A. THANU PILLAI (*Trivandrum-Rural*): Am I to understand from the member that the responsibility for that is to be shared by the several Assistant Inspectors and Inspector of Vernacular Schools or by several Assistant Inspectors under the direction of the Inspector of Schools ?

MR. R. M. STATHAM (*Director of Public Instruction*) : There were various reasons why the maps which had not been prescribed by the Government were purchased. In the first place, there was some litigation which prevented the purchase of the prescribed maps. Secondly, there was some misunderstanding of the Government order ; and thirdly, the Government order was overlooked by some subordinates. An explanation was called for from the subordinates as to why they purchased

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